MANUFACTURING

This industry cluster employs 40,333 workers in RI with an average annual wage of \$57,627.

TOP 5 CITIES FOR EMPLOYMENT

North Kingstown - 6,588

Providence - 3,667

Pawtucket - 3,642

Cranston - 3,474

Warwick - 2,798

Number of Employees



Percent of Employers

Job openings result from two major factors: the need to replace workers who leave an occupation and the need to fill openings created by economic expansion. During the 2016-2026 projection period employers in Manufacturing will need to fill over 46,300 positions.

Transportation Equipment Manufacturing

2016 Employment: 4,489

2026 Employment: 6,800

Projected Increase: 2,311

\$58,866 Average Annual Wage

Jewelry & Miscellaneous Manufacturing

2016 Employment: 5,477

2026 Employment: 4,800

Projected Increase: -677

\$51,576 Average Annual Wage

Chemical Manufacturing

2016 Employment: 3,011

2026 Employment: 3,200

Projected Increase: 189

\$89,732 Average Annual Wage

Food Manufacturing

2016 Employment: 3,508

2026 Employment: 3,680

Projected Increase: 172

\$36,653 Average Annual Wage

Computer & Electronic Product Manufacturing

2016 Employment: 3,282

2026 Employment: 3,512

Projected Increase: 230

\$79,365 Average Annual Wage

Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing

2016 Employment: 4,984

2026 Employment: 5,012

Projected Increase: 28

\$53,013 Average Annual Wage



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Occupations in Manufacturing with the most total openings during the 2016-2026 projection period.

Occupation	2016 Employment	2026 Employment	Total Openings	Entry Wage	Median Wage	Experienced Wage
First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	2,102	2,290	2,293	NA	NA	NA
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	1,246	1,725	2,036	\$17.51	\$21.71	\$27.79
Team Assemblers	2,105	1,784	1,919	NA	NA	NA
Machinists	1,409	1,683	1,818	\$17.78	\$22.16	\$26.63
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products	1,308	1,358	1,383	\$22.14	\$29.63	\$41.33
Customer Service Representatives	898	957	1,229	\$13.39	\$17.62	\$22.64
Counter Attendants, Cafeteria, Food Concession, and Coffee Shop	526	556	1,191	\$9.92	\$10.73	\$11.57
Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	976	989	1,175	\$14.38	\$19.48	\$25.82
HelpersProduction Workers	716	762	1,146	\$10.23	\$11.21	\$12.50
General and Operations Managers	931	987	827	\$44.60	\$61.04	\$84.06
Shipping, Receiving, and Traffic Clerks	839	823	803	\$13.66	\$17.28	\$21.59
Office Clerks, General	759	709	801	\$12.96	\$16.77	\$20.84
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	509	543	745	\$10.76	\$12.85	\$17.72
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	624	697	710	NA	NA	NA
Packaging and Filling Machine Operators and Tenders	538	581	680	\$11.21	\$13.21	\$15.74
Multiple Machine Tool Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	589	597	638	\$19.25	\$23.32	\$27.84
Electricians	369	516	630	\$21.79	\$27.42	\$31.55
Packers and Packagers, Hand	408	406	606	\$10.44	\$11.31	\$12.87
Food Batchmakers	386	404	565	\$11.68	\$14.22	\$16.89
Printing Press Operators	499	525	558	\$13.52	\$20.04	\$26.40
Cutting, Punching, and Press Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	558	507	545	\$11.21	\$13.27	\$17.48
Electrical and Electronic Equipment Assemblers	532	471	521	NA	NA	NA
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	522	486	518	\$16.84	\$20.49	\$24.39
Molding, Coremaking, and Casting Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	522	475	514	\$11.21	\$13.45	\$17.67

Occupational wages are from the May 2017 Occupational Employment Statistics Survey.

Industry wages are from the 2017 Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program. *National Wage #Wage over \$100/hr Minimum wage was \$10.10/hr from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017.

